Panel on Economic Development

List of outstanding items for discussion

(position as at 8 December 2015)

Proposed timing for discussion

1. Briefings by the Bureau Directors concerned on relevant policy initiatives in the Chief Executive's 2016 Policy Address

26 January 2016

The Administration will brief the Panel on relevant policy initiatives in the Chief Executive's 2016 Policy Address.

2. Staffing proposal on taking forward marine-related legislative amendments and systemic reform of the Marine Department to enhance maritime safety

26 January 2016

The Administration will consult the Panel on the proposed extension of four supernumerary directorate posts in the Department of Justice and the Marine Department on a time-limited basis to continue to take forward marine-related legislative amendments, and the recommendations arising from the Report of the Commission of Inquiry into the Collision of Vessels near Lamma Island on 1 October 2012.

3. Staffing proposal to strengthen senior management in the Civil Aviation Department

26 January 2016

The Administration will brief the Panel on the proposed creation of a Deputy Director Post in the Civil Aviation Department to strengthen its senior management to provide stronger administrative support and better resource management and co-ordination in the Department.

4. Hong Kong Tourism Board Work Plan for 2016-2017

22 February 2016

The Hong Kong Tourism Board will brief Panel members on the work plan of the Hong Kong Tourism Board for 2016-2017, the overview of Hong Kong tourism industry in 2015 and the outlook of 2016.

5. Update on Hong Kong Disneyland Resort

22 February 2016

The Administration will update Panel members on the operations of Hong Kong Disneyland Resort for the fiscal year 2015.

Proposed timing for discussion

23 March 2016

6. The deployment of the new Air Traffic Management System for Hong Kong International Airport and the related safety issues

At the meeting on 26 May 2014, Hon Albert CHAN proposed to discuss "Purchase of air traffic management system Autotrac 3 by the Civil Aviation Department. The Administration's response (LC Paper No. CB(1)1898/13-14(01) to the submission dated 23 May 2014 from a member of the public (LC Paper No. CB(1)1620/13-14(01)) expressing views on the subject was issued to members on 4 August 2014.

In October 2014, the Director of Audit identified several problems related to the administration of the air traffic control ("ATC") and related services in the Chapter 4 of his Audit Report No. 63, including the delay in implementing the Air Traffic Management System ("ATMS") contract and made relevant recommendations to the Director-General of Civil Aviation.

The Public Accounts Committee ("PAC") subsequently considered the Audit Report and found it, inter alia, appalling and totally unacceptable that the new ATC system which was targeted for commissioning in December 2012 was not yet in operation mainly due to a delay in implementing ATMS contract, while the existing ATC system was approaching the end of its usable life. It also strongly condemned Civil Aviation Department's incompetence and negligence in managing the procurement and implementation of the new ATMS project which had been delayed for at least three-and-a-half years. According to the Administration, it will respond to the PAC's observations and recommendations accordingly.

At the meeting on 15 October 2015, members agreed to the suggestion of Hon Kenneth LEUNG (LC Paper No. CB(4)36/15-16(01)) to discuss issues concerning the safety of ATMS to be deployed for the Hong Kong International Airport.

7. Outcome of the review on Public Cargo Working Areas

23 March 2016

The Administration will brief Members on the recommendations of the review on Public Cargo Working Areas conducted by the Marine Department.

Proposed timing for discussion

8. Proposed amendments to the civil aviation legislation relating to the air carriage of dangerous goods

23 March 2016

The Administration will brief Panel members on the proposed legislative amendments which seek to implement the latest requirements promulgated by the International Civil Aviation Organization in its biannual update on the air carriage of dangerous goods.

9. Refunding of Air Passenger Departure Tax

25 April 2016

In his letter dated 23 October 2015 addressed to the Panel on Financial Affairs, Hon SIN Chung-kai proposed to discuss matters relating to refunding of Air Passenger Departure Tax by airlines (LC Paper No. CB(4)258/15-16(01)). In response, the Financial Services and the Treasury Bureau has agreed to take up the discussion with this Panel.

10. Incorporating in local legislation the latest standards of the International Maritime Organization

25 April 2016

The Administration will seek Members' endorsement on legislative amendment proposals to incorporate in local legislation the latest requirements adopted by the International Maritime Organization as set out in: (i) the International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers, 1978, and (ii) Chapters VI and X to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974.

11. Proposed revision of fees and charges under Hong Kong Air Navigation (Fees) Regulations (Cap. 448D)

Second quarter of 2016

The Civil Aviation Department has reviewed the fees and charges related to civil aviation prescribed under Cap. 448D and proposes to revise some fees and charges under this regulation in order to recover the full cost of providing the services.

12. Proposed amendments to the civil aviation legislation relating to the investigation of accidents

Second quarter of 2016

The Administration will brief Panel members on the proposed legislative amendments which seek to implement the latest requirements promulgated by the International Civil Aviation Organization. Council Business Division 4
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